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SUBJECT: MAURITIAN RECOGNITION OF PRG

1. I ASKED PRIMIN RAMGOOLAM JUNE 26 IF HE INTENDED RECOGNIZE PRG. HE REPLIED HE HAD ALREADY AGREED RECOGNIZE PRG "SOMETIME AGO" AND THOUGHT EMBASSY HAD BEEN SO INFORMED. (WE HAD NOT.) PRIME MINISTER SAID AT MOGADISCIO OAU CONFERENCE HE HAD BEEN PRESSED BY MANY AFRICAN REPS, PARTICULARLY ALGERIAN FONMIN, TO RECOGNIZE PRG FORMALLY. ALGERIANS ESPECIALLY URGED HIM SIGN RECOGNITION DOCUMENT WITH PRG FONMIN NGUYEN THI BINH, WHICH HE DID IN MOGADISCIO. HE GAVE NO INDICATION GOM INTENDS AT PRESENT AT LEAST TO EXCHANGE DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES WITH PRG.

2. I REMONSTRATED HIS ACTION SEEMD TO ME TO BE INCONSISTENT WITH NEUTRALITY IN SVN CONTEXT AND POINTED OUT THAT PRG NOW CONTROLS VERY LIMITED TERRITORY AND SMALL PROPORTION OF POPULATION OF SVN AND IN OUR VIEW PRG IS REALLY BEING HELD TOGETHER NOW ESSENTIALLY BY NORTH VIETNAMESE MILITARY/POLITICAL SUPPORT. PRIMIN DEFENDED HIS MOVE BY SOMEWHAT EMOTIONAL CLAIMS THAT THIEU GOVT DOES NOT

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ADEQUATELY REPRESENT SVN PEOPLE, PRG IS COMPOSED OF WELL-MEANING

PEOPLE WHO WOULD ACTUALLY LIKE TO HAVE GOOD RELATIONS WITH US, ALTHOUGH US HAS WITHDRAWN ITS MILITARY FORCES IT IS STILL SUPPLYING MASS DESTRUCTION WEAPONS TO THIEU GOVL EVEN INCLUDING NAPALM AND NOT CARRYING OUT PARIS TREATY TERMS ADEQUATELY.

3. I RESPONDED THAT PRG/DRV FORCES IN SVN WERE AT LEAST AS MUCH IF NOT MORE RESPONSIBLE THAN GVN FOR CONTINUED MILITARY ENGAGEMENTS IN SVN, AND THAT IT IS UNREALISTIC AND FOOLISH FOR US TO COMPLY FULLY WITH TERMS OF PARIS TREATY IN SITUATION WHERE NEITHER PRG NOR DRV ARE DOING SAME, E.G., DRV INTRODUCTION OF ADDITIONAL FORCES, HEAVY WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION INTO SVN, CONSTRUCTION OF HIGHWAYS, AIRSTRIPS, MILITARY DEPOTS, ETC. ,95 TO MENTION DRV/PRG REFUSAL ACCOUNT FOR OUR MIA'S.

4. PM THEN FELL BACK ON GENERALITIES THAT HE ADMIRE US GENEROSITY IN REVIVING WESTERN EUROPE AFTER WORLD WAR II "WHICH WORLD SHOULD NEVER FORGET" AND STRONG US STAND AGAINST COMMUNISM IN PAST, "WHICH ALLOWED US TO BREATHE". HE PLEADED THAT IF PRESIDENT NIXON AND SECRETARY KISSINGER COULD MAKE SUCH GREAT AND SUCCESSFUL EFFORTS TO BRING PEACE TO MIDDLE EAST, SURELY THEY COULD MAKE SUCCESSFUL EFFORT TO BRING REAL PEACE IN SVN, AND HE HOPED USG WOULD MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO DEAL DIRECTLY WITH PRG TO SOLVE SUCH PROBLEMS AS I HAD MENTIONED. HE FELT PRG WOULD BE RECEPTIVE TO SUCH DIRECT US APPROACH. I SAID PRESENT PROBLEMS HAVE NOT STEMMED FROM ANY TACK OF TRYING ON OUR PART.

5. EVIDENTLY DRAGON LADY BINH HAS DONE REAL SNOW JOB ON RAMGOBLAM AND WE HAVE BEEN PRESENTED WITH FAIT ACCOMPLI.

6. ALTHOUGH THIS MAY BE LIKE TRYING TO LOCK BARN DOOR AFTER HORSE HAS GONE, I WOULD APPRECIATE UP TO DATE MATERIAL FROM DEPT. ON DRV/PRG VIOLATIONS OF PARIS TREATY, INCLUDING PHOTOS OF NVA MILITARY CONSTRUCTING INSTALLATIONS, ETC IN SVN, WHICH COULD BE GIVEN AT LEAST ON CONFIDENTIAL BASIS TO RAMGOOLAM PERSONALLY.
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